



## Artie Mary Allen

August 10, 1926 - April 7, 2025

Artemesia Maria Melendez (Artie Mary Allen) passed from this life on April 7, 2025, in Oklahoma City, OK. Artie was born on August 10, 1926, to Diego and Sarah (Ramirez) Melendez, in Santa Monica, CA. She was born and raised most of her life in California. In 1945, Artie married the love of her life A.G. Allen, spending 62 wonderful years together. She was the school secretary at Wilson Elementary, where she later retired into the California Teachers Association. Artie then moved to be closer to her family August 10, 1991, where she made Mangum her home, with her husband A.G. She worked at family businesses such as Mexi-Cali's and Press X-Press. Artie had the heart of a servant and was always willing to lend a helping hand. She served as a volunteer at Southwest Community Action/RSVP- Mangum Christian Thrift Store for 24 years and the Project Transformation for several years. Artie was a born again Christian and faithful member of the Red River Cowboy Church. She also took pride in being a part of the "Golden Girls Club". Artie loved crochet, gardening, women's bible studies, crafts, sporting events, and was an avid prayer warrior. She loved watching her kiddos compete in their sporting events. Artie was their biggest and loudest cheerleader. Artie was a 14-year breast cancer survivor. Additionally, she was an organ and tissue donor. Even after passing, she is still helping others. Artie is survived by her son-in-law Freddie Dillahunty, grandchildren Debi Davis and Tony, David Dillahunty and Sarah, Denise Webb and Scotty, Darci Gable and Tyler. Great-grandchildren Toby Knapp and Mandy, Tara Zachary and Zac, Tori Kerbo and Devin, Jordan

Harman and Ty, Chris Dillahunty and Cohan, Falyn Webb and Nate Perry, Asher Gable, and Ayden Gable. Great-great-grandchildren, Clayton, Cambry, Conner and Conley Knapp, Cale and Caylor Zachary, Cooper and Cannon Kerbo, Mesa and Wiley Harman. Artie is preceded in death by her husband A.G. Allen, daughter Betty "Jean" Dillahunty, great-grandson Fischer McCoy Webb, and both of her parents. She was one of ten children, and she was the last survivor.

Memorial services for Artie will begin on Sunday, April 13, 2025, 2:00 P.M., at Red River Cowboy Church, in Mangum, Oklahoma.

Online condolences for Artie can be made by visiting [www.peoplescooperativefuneralhome.com](http://www.peoplescooperativefuneralhome.com).

## Cemetery Details

### Riverside Cemetery

Mangum, OK

## Previous Events

### Memorial Service

APR 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Red River Cowboy Church  
1001 N. Byers Ave.  
Mangum, OK 73554

# Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Artie Mary Allen.* ”



April 18, 2025 at 03:33 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Artie Mary Allen. ”

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“ Bryce Jennings purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Artie Mary Allen. ”



**Bryce Jennings** - April 13, 2025 at 01:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Artie Mary Allen.* ”



April 11, 2025 at 08:05 AM